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## NOTES AND NEWS

The following letter has been sent to the managing editor:

December 2, 1918.

Editor of THE MODERN LANGUAGE JOURNAL,

Dear Sir:

On page 76 of Vol. 3, No. 2 of THE MODERN LANGUAGE JOURNAL, Mr. Abram Lipsky seems to indicate (1) that questions should not be couched in the foreign language, and (2) that a certain question in German is illustrative of a complicated individual (perhaps Bolshevik) style. The article of Mr. Lipsky is so good in some respects that it should be corrected in this one respect. The Regents' examinations in the modern languages are the result of the best thought of the modern language teachers of the high schools and colleges of the State. To prove this fact I need but cite the following circumstance, of which Mr. Lipsky ought not to be ignorant. Last June the Department sent out a circular letter to the French teachers of the State. In this letter one of the questions submitted was: "Should the questions in the Regents examinations in French be in English or in French." Just exactly 100% of the answers to this question were to the effect that the question should be in French.

Since this is true of French, why not of German? And if it is true, how, pray, would Mr. Lipsky formulate in better German the particular question to which he takes exception?

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